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1 IN THE SENATE

BY TILLION

2 SENATE BILL NO. 367

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to special sessions of the legisla-
7 ture; and providing for an effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 * Section 1. AS 24.05.100 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 24.05.100. SPECIAL SESSIONS. The legislature may hold a
11 special session not exceeding 30 calendar days in length. The special
12 session shall be called in either of the following ways.

13 (1) The governor may call the legislature into special ses-
14 sion by issuing a proclamation at least 15 days in advance of the con-
15 vening date stated in the proclamation, if that date is four or more
16 days following the adjournment of a regular or special session. How-
17 ever, the governor may call the legislature into special session by
18 issuing a proclamation at least three days in advance of the convening
19 date stated in the proclamation, if that convening date is within four
20 days following the adjournment of a regular or special session. At a
21 special session called by the governor, legislation is limited to the
22 subjects designated by the governor in his proclamation or to the sub-
23 jects presented by him, and to reconsideration of legislation, if any,
24 vetoed following a regular session of that legislature.

25 (2) The legislature may call itself into special session if
26 two-thirds of the membership responds in the affirmative to a poll con-
27 ducted by the presiding officer of each house. Each presiding officer
28 may initiate a poll by their joint agreement, and each shall initiate a
29 poll upon the request of 25 per cent of the membership of each house,

1 expressed in writing and signed by those members. When two-thirds of
2 the membership to which the legislature is entitled responds in the
3 affirmative, the president of the senate and speaker of the house shall
4 jointly announce the result of the poll and a date for the convening of
5 the special session. If the date for the convening of the special
6 session is within four days following the adjournment of a regular or
7 special session, legislation shall be limited to subjects designated in
8 the call by concurrent resolution of the legislature adopted before the
9 adjournment of the legislature. If one of the presiding officers is
10 deceased, has resigned or is incapacitated, the presiding officer of the
11 other house may conduct the poll of the members of both houses.

12 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the effective date of amendments to
13 art. II, secs. 8 and 9 of the Constitution of the State of Alaska, which
14 limit the length of regular sessions of the legislature and the subject
15 matter of special sessions immediately following a regular session.